ORDINANCE NO. 2015-03, THIRD SERIES

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HASTINGS, MINNESOTA AMENDING HASTINGS CITY CODE CHAPTER 93 – FIRE PREVENTION AND PROCECTION, ALLOWING PROPANE CYLINDER EXCHANGE OPERATIONS

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Hastings as follows:

Chapter 93 of the Hastings City Code – Fire Prevention and Protection is hereby amended as follows: (Additions to the ordinance are <u>underlined</u>, deletions to the ordinance are <u>stricken</u> and section numbers may be renumbered):

CHAPTER 93 – FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION

§ 93.30 Propane Cylinder Exchange Operations

- (A) Propane cylinder exchange operations shall be allowed subject to the following requirements:
- (1) The sale of propane exchange cylinders shall be allowed only within areas of the C-3 Zoning District located south of 10th Street and all areas of the C-4 Zoning District of the City.
- (2) A site plan shall be submitted to the Fire Marshal for approval, indicating size of cage, location as well as separation distances.
- (3) Only one exchange cabinet per business/property with a maximum capacity of 18 20-pound propane cylinders.
- (4) Exchange cabinet must be stored outdoors and on property owned/leased by occupant.
- (5) If the property is leased, written authorization from property owner must be obtained prior to approval.
- (6) No smoking signs shall be posted on the exchange cage and within 25 feet of the surrounding area.
- (7) Propane cage shall not be located within 20 feet of any doorway or opening in a building, within 20 feet of a motor vehicle fuel dispenser or within 20 feet of any combustible material.
- (8) The propane cage shall be designed so that containers cannot be stacked on top of each other and designed so that containers are positioned upright with the pressure-relief valve in direct communication with the vapor space of the container.

- (9) Cylinder outlet valves shall be closed and plugged when in storage.
- (10) Defective containers or containers showing denting, bulging or excessive corrosion shall be immediately removed from service and properly disposed.
 - (11) Exchange cabinets are not allowed on public property.
 - (12) Exchange cabinet is the only place acceptable for the storage of propane cylinders.
- (13) Business owner shall supply the city a key holder list with a minimum of three individuals who can respond 24/7 within 20 minutes of being contacted. It shall be the owner's responsibility to maintain this key holder list and provide any updates to the city in a timely manner. In addition, a sign listing exchange procedures, company name and a 24 hour emergency phone number shall be posted within 10 feet of the cage.
- (14) Signs requiring that customers leave LPG containers outside the building shall be posted on the building entrance(s). The signs shall read "DO NOT BRING LP-GAS CYLINDERS INTO THE BUILDING." The lettering must be a minimum 1" in height with a minimum stroke of 1/4 inch.
- (15) All employees with access to the exchange cage shall be trained in the proper handling and operating procedures, including the procedure for handling defective containers. Documentation of this training shall be provided to a fire department representative upon request.
- (16) A minimum of one 2A20BC fire extinguisher shall be located within 50 feet, but not less than 25 feet from the propane cage.
- (17) An approved NFPA 704 hazard identification sign/placard shall be posted on the cage. This sign/placard shall be a minimum one foot square.
 - (18) The Fire Marshal has the authority to require vehicular barrier protection.

All other sections shall remain unchanged.

ADOPTED by the Hastings City Council on this 17th day of February, 2015.

Paul J. Hicks, Mayor

ATTEST:

Julie Flaten, City Clerk

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above is a true and correct copy of an ordinance presented to and adopted by the City of Hastings, County of Dakota, Minnesota, on the 17th day of February, 2015, as disclosed by the records of the City of Hastings on file and of record in the office.

Julie Flaten, City Clerk

This instrument drafted by: City of Hastings (JWH) 101 4th St. East

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